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DATE: April 3, 2008

TO: Administration Committee
Regional Council

FROM: Gary Ovitt, SCAG President

BY: Shelia Stewart, Executive Officer

SUBJECT: Request for Payment for Additional Stipends

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S APPROVAL:



RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Approve payment of additional stipends requested by Regional Council member Alan Wapner.

BACKGROUND:

Article VI of the Regional Council Policy Manual relates to the Stipend Policy for the Regional Council, a copy of which is attached herein for information. Article VI, Section 1.4, states that Regional Council members are eligible to receive up to six (6) per diem stipends per month. Article VI, Section 1.5 states that the President may authorize up to two (2) additional per diem stipends per month for Regional Council members. Finally, Article VI, Section 1.6 provides that "nine (9) or more per diem stipends per month for Regional Council officers and members required Regional Council approval."

Regional Council member Alan Wapner recently submitted to the Executive officer a total of 12 requests for stipends for the month of February 2008. The requests are for the following matters:

1. 02/06/08 Executive Committee (Stipend already paid);
2. 02/07/08 Regional Council (Stipend already paid);
3. 02/08/08 Leadership Dinner (Stipend not paid; not eligible for stipend since dinner was part of USC leadership program);
4. 02/11/08 RTP TASIN (Stipend not paid);
5. 02/12/08 RTP OCBC (Stipend not paid);
6. 02/12/08 RTP Ontario Chamber (Stipend not paid);
7. 02/14/08 RTP Maglev Taskforce (Stipend already paid);
8. 02/20/08 Goods Movement Taskforce (Stipend already paid);
9. 02/21/08 TCC Subcommittee (Stipend not paid);
10. 02/26/08 Faster Freight (Stipend not paid);
11. 02/27/08 RTP (Stipend not paid); and
12. 02/29/08 Force for Change (Stipend already paid).

Given that there are a total of 12 per diem stipends being requested by Regional Council member Wapner, the President has asked the Executive Officer to place this matter on the agenda. The President requests that the Regional Council approve payment of the additional stipends (that is, those above the authorized six per

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month) for eligible events being requested by RC member Wapner for the month of February, pursuant to the Stipend Policy.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Funds for stipends are included in the General Fund Budget.